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Remarks

New claims 44-56, which range in scope from broad in the independent claims to less broad in the dependent claims, have been added further to applicants' right to restate the invention in a reasonable number of ways; see, e.g., MPEP § 706.03(k). The new claims are fully supported by the application as filed, and no new matter is introduced. Entry of this Preliminary Amendment respectfully is requested, as the undersigned is unaware that any Office action has been mailed.

The new claims are *not* being added for any substantial reason related to patentability of presenting pending claims 1-32, including for the purpose of narrowing or otherwise changing the scope of any of the presently pending claims to meet any statutory requirement for patentability. No claim and no claim element has been amended in any respect by the new claims.

As amended herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowability respectfully is requested.

The examiner is requested to call the undersigned if there are any questions about this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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